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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN NUCLEAR ISSUES

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1. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY (DESIGNATE) CALLED IN THE PAKISTAN AMBASSADOR (ACCOMPANIED BY USMAN) FEBRUARY 14 TO GIVE HIM THE SECRETARY'S LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO (REFTEL).
2. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY EXPRESSED REGRET THAT THE SECRETARY COULD NOT DELIVER THE LETTER PERSONALLY BUT NOTED THAT THE SECRETARY WAS TIED UP WITH THE VISIT OF THE MEXICAN PRESIDENT AND HIS OWN DEPARTURE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST THAT EVENING. HE NOTED THAT FORMER SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD COMMENTED
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TO MR. VANCE ON THE CORDIAL RELATIONSHIP THAT EXISTS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND PAKISTAN. THE NEW ADMINISTRATION DESIRES TO WORK CLOSELY WITH PAKISTAN AND TO STRENGTHEN EXISTING TIES. THE SECRETARY'S LETTER TO BHUTTO IS EVIDENCE OF THAT DESIRE.

3. THE AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THESE REMARKS

AND STATED THAT PAKISTAN WOULD SEEK TO RESOLVE ANY BILATERAL DIFFERENCES IN A SPIRIT OF MUTUAL TRUST AND CONFIDENCE. CONSULTATIONS COULD BE RESUMED AFTER PAKISTAN'S ELECTIONS IN MID-MARCH.

4. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY EMPHASIZED THE PRESIDENT'S CONCERN ABOUT NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION AND HIS DESIRE TO AVOID THE SPREAD OF SENSITIVE NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY. THIS SUBJECT WOULD BE TAKEN UP IN MARCH OR AS SOON AS PAKISTAN PREFERRED. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE ISSUE WOULD NOT SURFACE PUBLICLY IN ORDER TO AVOID PREJUDICING EITHER SIDE'S POSITION. HE NOTED EXISTING LEGISLATION COULD HAVE SERIOUS ADVERSE EFFECTS ON BILATERAL RELATIONS AND HE SUGGESTED THAT BOTH SIDES EXAMINE THEIR DIFFERENCES AND THEN CONSULT. IN CLOSING, HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVES TO THE REPROCESSING FACILITY COULD BE FOUND.
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